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## NOTES AND NEWS

The Rev. John Owen, author of *Evenings with the Skeptics* (1881), *The Skeptics of the Italian Renaissance* (1892), and *The Skeptics of the French Renaissance* (1893), died on February 6, at the age of 63.

The Italian historian Giuseppe di Leva, born at Zara in 1821, and especially known by his *Storia commentata di Carlo V. in Correlazione all' Italia*, died at Padua on November 29.

Johannes Overbeck, the distinguished archæologist, born at Antwerp in 1826, died on November 8 at Leipzig. His *Geschichte der griechischen Plastik* was his most famous work.

Alexandre Henne, Belgian historian, best known by his excellent *Histoire du Règne de Charles-Quint en Belgique* (1858-1860) died on January 10, aged 84.

Henri van Laun, author of two volumes on the *French Revolutionary Epoch*, published in 1879, died in London on January 19, at the age of 76.

The American Historical Association held its eleventh annual meeting at Washington on December 26 and 27. Senator George F. Hoar, president of the Association for 1895, took as the subject of his address, Popular Discontent with Representative Government. Thirty-two other papers were upon the programme. Thirty of these were appointed for December 27. The result of this congestion was that in the forenoon the experiment was tried of maintaining two simultaneous sessions in adjoining halls, one section being devoted to American colonial history, the other to American political history of periods subsequent to 1775. The experiment was not wholly successful. The papers, which it is impossible for us to enumerate, exhibited in a gratifying measure the activity and variety of the researches in American history which are progressing under academic auspices, or as the result of academic impulse, and in particular made it plain that, whatever be the case with the general public, the serious historical students of the country are fully alive to the importance of researches in the field of post-revolutionary history. Yet one who compares the proceedings with those of similar gatherings in Europe will be surprised to see how much less the mind of American historical students is directed toward those problems of economic history which of late so largely occupy historical students and conventions in Europe, although economic factors may well be thought to have exercised a more powerful influence upon the history of the United States than of older lands. Papers which attracted

especial attention were those of Professor H. L. Osgood, proposing a new classification of colonial governments ; of Dr. Herbert Friedenwald, on the Journals of the Continental Congress ; of Professor W. H. Siebert, on the Underground Railroad ; of Professor B. S. Terry, on the political aspects of the Homestead Law agitation ; of Dr. A. C. Coolidge, on the study of the history of Northern Europe; and of Dr. Frederic Bancroft, on the French in Mexico and the Monroe Doctrine. Dr. Richard S. Storrs was elected president for the next year, Mr. James Schouler and Professor George P. Fisher, vice-presidents ; Professor H. Morse Stephens and Professor Frederick J. Turner were added to the executive council. A vote which will be welcomed by many appointed New York as the next place of meeting, the dates being December 29, 30, and 31, 1896.

The income of the Association considerably exceeding its expenses, the executive council have resolved to spend some of its future revenues in the promotion of historical investigation upon definite lines. They have instituted a Historical Manuscripts Commission which, like the English commission of similar name, will prepare reports upon original unprinted materials in various parts of the country, relating to the history of the United States. Calendars of these manuscript sources will be published, especially in the case of documents which are in private hands and therefore do not fall within the field of operations of the Bureau of Rolls and Library, nor within the scope of state-archive publications. If the work of the commission is successfully conducted, its establishment must surely be regarded as a step of great importance in the promotion of scholarly research in American history. The commission is to consist of Professor J. Franklin Jameson, chairman ; Dr. Douglas Brymner, archivist of the Dominion of Canada ; Talcott Williams, Esq., of Philadelphia ; Professor William P. Trent, of the University of the South, and Professor Frederick J. Turner, of Wisconsin.

The executive council has also voted to offer a prize of \$100 for the best monograph based upon original investigation in history submitted to the council during the coming year, university dissertations excluded, and to print the best five or six of the monographs thus submitted, if of an approved degree of excellence ; also to establish a gold prize medal of the value of \$100, to be awarded at suitable intervals for the best completed work of research in history published in this country through the ordinary channels of publication. The first award will be made to some book published after January 1, 1896 ; succeeding awards only to works published, in each case, since the last preceding award. The intervals will probably be about three years.

The Report of the Association containing the papers read at its meeting of December, 1894, has not yet appeared.

An important announcement in the field of historical geography is that of Fr. Schrader's *Atlas de Géographie Historique*, just published by Hachette. The atlas consists of 167 colored maps on 55 sheets, accom-

panied by much historical letter-press containing 115 maps and plans in black and white inserted in the text, and by an alphabetical index of names. The price of the atlas, bound, is 35 fr., and each map is sold separately. The high quality of this new book of reference is made evident by the list of collaborators. The maps and text for the earlier periods of ancient history have been under the charge of M. G. Maspero; those for Greece have been prepared by M. Haussoullier; those for Rome by M. P. Guiraud; those for Gaul and Mediæval France by M. A. Longnon. Other collaborators have been MM. L. Cahun, Bourgeois, Debidour, Rambaud, Sorel, and Waddington, while MM. E. Lavisse and H. Lemonnier have had a general editorial supervision of the work.

The *Deutsche Zeitschrift für Geschichtswissenschaft* is announced to appear with regularity, beginning April 1, 1896, under the editorial care of Professors G. Buchholz, K. Lamprecht, E. Marcks, and G. Seeliger, the latter being the managing editor. It will be published by J. C. B. Mohr (P. Siebeck), at Freiburg i. B. and Leipzig. The plan of publication contemplates the issue of quarterly parts, each of eight sheets, containing the body articles and bibliography of German history, and of monthly parts of two sheets each containing the reviews and notes and news.

Soon after the publication of the first number of the *Revue Internationale des Archives, des Bibliothèques, et des Musées* it became necessary to reorganize the managing committee, which will henceforth consist of M. A. Giry, of the École des Chartes, as chairman, and MM. Langlois, Ch. Mortet of the Bibliothèque Sainte-Geneviève, Reinach, Stein, Venturi, and Winsor. Publication has been delayed. The two numbers (six parts) remaining to complete the first volume will be issued during the course of the present year, and the second volume will begin with the year 1897.

A bibliography of the Congo, containing 3,800 titles, relating to the history, etc., of that region, has been published by A. J. Wauters, the author, —*Bibliographie du Congo, 1880–1895* (Brussels, 356 pp.)

Archivrath Dr. Ernst Berner will hereafter conduct the *Jahresberichte für die Geschichtswissenschaft*, in the place of Dr. J. Jastrow.

An index to the *Revue Historique* for the last five years is in preparation.

#### **ANCIENT HISTORY.**

The annual report of the Semitic Museum at Harvard University shows the addition during the past year of forty-three Babylonian clay tablets of the kind known as "contract tablets," twelve Babylonian-Assyrian stone seals, and an interesting inscribed alabaster tablet of the fourteenth century B.C., containing an inscription of sixty-five lines, recording the restoration of a temple at Asshur and calling down curses on any one who should ever injure the stone or tamper with the writing. In spite of this, several lines have been ground away, and the space has been written over again by a second hand.

The Vienna Academy of Sciences intends, upon the basis of extensive Austrian explorations and excavations, to publish a collection of the ancient inscriptions of Asia Minor. Vol. I., containing those of Lycia, is nearly ready for publication.

The Greek government has granted formal authority to the American School at Athens to conduct excavations at Corinth. These are to be entered upon at once and are expected to yield immediate and important results, the entire site of the city being a totally unexplored field and comparatively free from dwellings.

The Clarendon Press intend to publish *Revenue Laws of Ptolemy Philadelphus*, edited from a papyrus of the twenty-seventh year of that monarch's reign, obtained by Professor Flinders Petrie and Mr. B. P. Grenfell. The latter will edit the volume, supplying a translation, commentary, and appendices.

The imperial printing-office at Vienna has begun the publication of the Archduke Rainer's papyri, by issuing two volumes of legal documents, the one Greek, the other Coptic, the former (298 pp.) edited by Carl Wessely, the latter (225 pp.) by Jakob Krall.

O. Montelius has published (Berlin, Asher, 548 pp.) the first volume of his *La Civilisation primitive en Italie depuis l'Introduction des Métaux*, with 134 plates.

M. Carette's essay, *Les Assemblées Provinciales de la Gaule romaine* (Paris, Picard, 1895, 504 pp.), treats an interesting subject with much learning and skill.

Among recent dissertations in ancient history, separately published, may be noted: Ernst Windisch, *Ueber die Bedeutung des indischen Alterthums*, Leipzig (25 pp.); M. Wilbrand, *De rerum privatarum ante Solonis tempus in Attica statu*, Rostock (59 pp.); A. Mauri, *I Cittadini lavoratori dell' Attica nei secoli V e IV a. C.*, Bergamo (96 pp.); J. J. Binder, *Laurion: die attischen Bergwerke im Altertum*, Laibach (54 pp.); C. P. Burger, jr., *Roms Bündnisse mit fremden Staaten und der Latinerkrieg*, Amsterdam (36 pp.); V. Ferrenbach, *Die Amici Populi Romani republikanischer Zeit*, Strassburg (76 pp.); E. Kornemann, *Die historische Schriftstellerei des C. Asinius Pollio*, Leipzig.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: H. Hirt, *Der Ackerbau der Indogermanen* (Indogermanische Forschungen, V. 5); D. G. Hogarth, *Nectanebo, Pharaoh and Magician* (English Historical Review, January); C. H. Toy, *The Pre-prophetic Religion of Israel* (New World, March); C. de Harlez, *La Religion Persane* (Muséon, 1895, 5); F. Blass, *Die sogenannte drakontische Verfassung* (Neue Jahrbücher für Philologie, 1895, 7); J. B. Bury, *The Battle of Marathon* (Classical Review, March); W. Schilling, *Die Schlacht bei Marathon* (Philologus, LIV. 2); G. E. Underhill, *Athens and the Peace of Antalcidas* (Classical Review, February); B.

Niese, *Der jüdische Historiker Josephus* (Historische Zeitschrift, LXXVI. 2); Ad. Schulten, *Die peregrinen Gaugemeinden des römischen Reichs* (Rheinisches Museum, L. 4); Th. Mommsen, *Die Geschichte der Todesstrafe im römischen Staate* (Cosmopolis, January); Marx, *Die "Ora Maritima" des Avienus* (Rheinisches Museum, L. 3).

### EARLY CHURCH HISTORY.

A translation of Carl von Weizsäcker's *The Apostolic Age of the Christian Church*, made from the second revised edition by James Miller, is published in two volumes by G. P. Putnam's Sons.

The thirty-fifth volume of the *Corpus Scriptorum Ecclesiasticorum Latinorum* (Vienna, Tempsky, 493 pp.), one of the learned enterprises of the Vienna Academy, begins an edition of *Epistulæ Imperatorum, Pontificum, aliorum inde ab a. CCCLXVII usque ad a. DLIII datæ; Avel-lana quæ dicitur Collectio*, edited by Otto Günther.

Messrs. Longmans, Green and Co. issue a new edition, in six volumes, of the Count de Montalembert's *Monks of the West*, with an introduction on monastic constitutional history by Father F. A. Gasquet.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: E. C. Butler, *Early Christian Literature* (Dublin Review, January); L. Guérin, *Étude sur le Fondement juridique des Persécutions dirigées contre les Chrétiens pendant les deux premiers Siècles de notre Ère* (Nouvelle Revue Historique de Droit Français et Étranger, XIX. 5); P. Allard, *La Situation Légale des Chrétiens pendant les deux premiers Siècles* (Revue des Questions Historiques, January); E. W. Brooks, *An Armenian Visitor to Jerusalem in the Seventh Century* (English Historical Review, January).

### MEDIEVAL HISTORY.

Partly by reason of the recent centenary of the death of Gibbon, a new edition of the *Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire* is to be brought out by Messrs. Macmillan and Co. It will consist of seven volumes, edited by Professor John B. Bury of Dublin. Vol. I. has already appeared.

The third section of Konrad Miller's *Die ältesten Weltkarten* deals with the smaller maps of the Middle Ages, chiefly those to be found as illustrations in manuscript treatises, and gives photographic reproductions of a large number (Stuttgart, Roth).

The Librairie Centrale des Beaux-Arts announces a work of great importance in the history of civilization, a *Histoire Générale des Arts appliqués à l'Industrie, du V<sup>e</sup> Siècle à la Fin du XVIII<sup>e</sup>*, in fifteen volumes, edited by E. Molinier. Part I. (*Ivoires*) has already appeared.

The latest issue in the Semitic series of the *Anecdota Oxoniensia* is the second part of the *Mediæval Jewish Chronicles and Chronological Notes*, edited by Mr. Ad. Neubauer.

The tenth volume of the *Bibliothèque de Carabas* is one upon the legend of Barlaam and Josaphat, edited by Mr. Joseph Jacobs.

The University of Pennsylvania has issued, as Vol. III., No. 1, of its Translations and Reprints, a brief collection of translated extracts from chronicles, etc., regarding the Fourth Crusade.

Messrs. Smith, Elder and Co. publish a new volume by Sir William Muir, entitled *The Mameluke or Slave Dynasty of Egypt*. Beside treating of the Mamelukes from 1260 to 1517, it also completes his history of the Abbaside Caliphate.

The Historische und Antiquarische Gesellschaft of Basel has begun the publication, in four volumes, of a series of studies and texts for the history of the Council of Basel (*Concilium Basiliense : Studien und Quellen zur Geschichte des Concils von Basel*). The first volume, edited by Julius Haller, is concerned with the years 1431-1437. The original journals of the proceedings have, after a long interval, been discovered.

Among recent dissertations in mediaeval history, separately published, may be noted: W. Vietor, *Die northumbrischen Runensteine*, Marburg (50 pp.) ; T. Miller, *Place-names in the English Bede*, Strassburg (80 pp.) ; T. Lindner, *Die sogenannten Schenkungen Pippins, Karls des Grossen und Ottos I. an die Päpste*, Stuttgart (99 pp.).

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: D. Kaufmann, *Jewish Informers in the Middle Ages* (Jewish Quarterly Review, January) ; H. Hagenmeyer, *Le Procès des Templiers* (Revue de l'Orient Latin, 1895, 1) ; C. Piton, *À propos des Accusateurs des Templiers* (Ibid., 1895, 3).

#### MODERN EUROPEAN HISTORY.

M. R. Rolland has published an important treatment of an interesting subject in his *Origines du Théâtre Lyrique Moderne, Histoire de l'Opéra en Europe avant Lully et Scarlatti* (Paris, Thorin).

The Jewish Publication Society of America has published (Philadelphia, 766 pp.) the fifth volume of its translation of Graetz's *History of the Jews*, extending from the Chmielnicki persecution, in Poland, 1648, to the year 1870. The sixth or supplementary volume will contain an index to the five volumes, maps, etc.

The firm of Spithoever at Rome has published two volumes (468, 514 pp.) of *Innocenti papæ XI. Epistolæ ad principes annis VI.-XIII. (1681-1689)*.

So considerable a literature of articles in periodicals has grown up around Dr. Max Lehmann's *Friedrich der Grosse und der Ursprung des siebenjährigen Krieges* (Leipzig, Hirzel, 1894), that a list may be useful, even though some of the articles have already been before the public for several months: R. Koser, *Historische Zeitschrift*, LXXIV. 1; Wiegand,

*Deutsche Litteraturzeitung*, 1894, 51; Treusch von Buttlar, *Deutsche Wochenblatt*, 1895, 1; Bailieu, *Deutsche Rundschau*, February, 1895; Lehmann, *Göttinger Gelehrte Anzeigen*, February; Delbrück, *Preussische Jahrbücher*, February; Ullmann, *Deutsche Revue*, May; G. Winter, *Blätter für litterarische Unterhaltung*, 1895, 20; Herrmann and Prutz, *Forschungen zur brandenb. und preuss. Geschichte*, VIII.; Berner, *Mittheilungen zur historischen Litteratur*, XXIII.; R. Waddington, *Revue Historique*, May, July; Luckwaldt, *Preussische Jahrbücher*, August; Ferd. Wagner, *Friedrichs des Grossen Beziehungen zu Frankreich und der Beginn des siebenjährigen Krieges* (dissertation, 157 pp.), Hamburg, Seitz; Naudé, *Forschungen zur brandenb. und preuss. Geschichte*, VIII. 2.

A new series of documents casting light on the French Revolution has begun to appear at Turin (Bocca, Vol. I., 516 pp.), edited by M. Kovalevski, under the title of *I Dispacci degli Ambasciatori veneti alla Corte di Francia durante la Rivoluzione*. M. Aulard reviews this first volume in *La Révolution Française* for November.

M. Albert Vandal has just published the third and concluding volume of his *Napoléon et Alexandre*, which was crowned by the French Academy in 1893, and again in 1894 (Paris, Plon).

Two volumes of nineteenth-century history, by Professor Charles M. Andrews, of Bryn Mawr College, will be published this spring by Messrs. G. P. Putnam's Sons, under the title, *The Historical Development of Modern Europe from 1815 down to 1880*.

Documents useful to the student of the annus mirabilis 1870 are brought together in P. Schneider's *Fontes iuris ecclesiastici novissimi: Decreta et Canones sacrosancti œcumenici concilii Vaticani, una cum selectis Constitutionibus pontificiis aliisque Documentis ecclesiasticis* (Ratisbon, Pustet, 136 pp.).

Among recent dissertations in modern history, separately published, may be noted: K. Häbler, *Der hansisch-spanische Konflikt von 1416 und die älteren spanischen Bestände*, Dresden (93 pp.); M. J. Bonn, *Spaniens Niedergang während der Preisrevolution des XVI. Jahrhunderts*, Stuttgart (199 pp.); Ph. Kalkmann, *Englands Uebergang zur Goldwährung im XVIII. Jahrhundert*, Strassburg (140 pp.); K. G. Bockenheimer, *Die Mainzer Klubisten der Jahre 1792 und 1793*, Mainz; Freiherr von Helfert, *Gregor XVI. und Pius IX., 1845–1846*, Prague (189 pp.); Mor. Ritter, *Leopold von Ranke*, Stuttgart (32 pp.); A. Dove, *Ranke und Sybel in ihrem Verhältniss zu König Max*, Munich (27 pp.).

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: W. A. Dunning, *Bodin on Sovereignty* (Political Science Quarterly, March); E. Pariset, *La "Société de la Révolution" de Londres dans ses Rapports avec Burke et l'Assemblée Constituante* (La Révolution Francaise, October); J. H. Rose, *Canning and Denmark in 1807* (English Historical Review, January); G. Cavaignac, *La Saisie de la Lettre de Stein en 1808* (Revue Historique, January); A.

Stern, *L'Origine du Decret de Proscription lancé par Napoléon contre Stein* (Revue Historique, March); F. Carry, *Le Vatican et le Quirinal*, 1870 (Le Correspondant, December); Sir Charles Dilke, *The Origin of the War of 1870* (Cosmopolis, January); Duc de Broglie, *La Mission de M. de Gontaut-Biron à Berlin*, IV. (Le Correspondant, — November); Marquis de Gabriac, *Souvenirs diplomatiques de Russie et d'Allemagne* (Revue des Deux-Mondes, January 1, 15; February 1).

#### GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

The latest issue by the Historical Manuscripts Commission (Fourteenth Report, Appendix, Part VIII.) presents calendars of the manuscripts in the possession of the corporations of Lincoln, Bury St. Edmunds, Hertford, and Great Grimsby, and of the Dean and Chapters of Worcester and Lichfield. The manuscripts of the city of Lincoln are especially interesting. Their series of royal charters begins with that of 1157. The registers of the acts of the corporation begin with 1421, and are particularly interesting for the sixteenth century. The documents reported upon at Bury St. Edmunds embrace not only those of the corporation but those of the charity feoffees, which include some of the abbey records. In examining the muniments of the Dean and Chapter of Lichfield, Mr. R. L. Poole discovered in the Registrum Album a new and hitherto unknown recension of the Chester Annals, older by three hundred years than the MS. used by Mr. R. C. Christie for his edition of the *Annales Cestrienses*, and a copy of the annals of Burton, a century older than that used for the *Annales Monastici* in the Rolls Series. Both present additional entries as well as an earlier text.

It is decided at Oxford that Ford's lecturer in English history shall be appointed for one year only and shall give not less than six lectures. It is understood that Sir James H. Ramsay, author of *Lancaster and York*, is a candidate.

In the 45th volume of the *Dictionary of National Biography* (Pereira to Pockrich) the most notable articles are those on Chatham and Pitt, the former by Mr. G. F. Russell Barker (who also writes the article on Shelburne), the latter by the Rev. Wm. Hunt. Lord Edmond Fitzmaurice deals with Sir William Petty.

The January number of the *Revue des Questions Historiques* contains a summary review of English publications respecting history issued during 1894 and 1895, by M. Alfred Spont.

The Court of Common Council, at a meeting in December, resolved that the records of the City of London should be printed *in extenso* and published, with full indexes and with such translations and notes as may be necessary, but without introductions. One or two volumes will probably be printed each year. A beginning will be made with the series of letter books A 1, from which extracts were published in Riley's *Memorials*.

The town of Northampton has issued, in a limited edition of one hundred copies, *Liber Custumarum: the Book of the Ancient Usagez and Customez of the Town of Northampton, from the Earliest Record to 1448*. The book is a *verbatim et literatim* reproduction of the original manuscript, and is edited by Mr. Christopher A. Markham.

The Selden Society's volume for 1895 (Dr. Gross's selections from the coroner's rolls) is now issued. The volume for 1896 will be *Select Cases in Chancery from the Time of Richard II*.

The Cambridge University Press announces *The Rising in East Anglia in 1381*, with an appendix containing the Suffolk poll-tax lists for that year, by Edgar Powell.

A volume at Worcester containing a journal and accounts of William More, prior of the cathedral church, chiefly from 1513 to 1534, has been copied, and is to be published by the Early English Text Society under the editorship of Mr. Littlehales.

Mr. W. St. John Hope is preparing an elaborate work on the *Corporation Plate and Insignia of England and Wales*.

Mr. Julian Corbett has been engaged by the Navy Records Society to edit all the state papers which treat of the naval preparations in England during the years immediately preceding the Spanish invasion of 1588.

The Scottish History Society has issued, as Vol. XVIII. of its Publications, a volume entitled *Scotland and the Commonwealth: Letters and Papers relating to the Military Government of Scotland, August 1651–December 1653*, edited with an introduction and notes by C. H. Firth (Edinburgh, University Press, lv, 383 pp.).

The new edition of Pepys's *Diary*, edited by Mr. H. B. Wheatley, will be completed in nine volumes; the ninth volume will be supplementary in its nature, and will contain various appendices and a copious index.

The Public Record Office has issued the first volume of its *Calendar of State Papers, Domestic, of the Reign of William and Mary*. It extends from February 13, 1689, to April, 1690, and is edited by Mr. John Hardy, F.S.A.

The Navy Records Society will shortly publish Holland's *Navy Discourses* (of the middle of the seventeenth century) and the *Journal of Rear-Admiral James* during the wars of American Independence and the French Revolution. The latter contains, among other things, a most interesting description of life in Maine and a vivid account of the barbarities committed in New York by the British army.

Messrs. Macmillan and Co. announce a *History of the Post-Office Packet Service between the Years 1793 and 1815*, compiled from records, chiefly official, by Arthur H. Norway.

The memoirs and despatches of Sir Arthur Paget, brother of the first Marquis of Anglesey, are to be published this spring. Sir Arthur Paget was British envoy at various Continental courts during the Revolutionary and Napoleonic period. The volumes will be edited by his son, Sir Augustus Paget.

Messrs. P. S. King and Son propose to publish, in four royal octavo volumes, a general index to the third series of *Hansard's Parliamentary Debates*, covering the period from 1831 to 1891, and furnishing guidance to a series of 356 volumes.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals : F. W. Maitland, *The Origin of the Borough* (English Historical Review, January) ; F. Baring, *Domesday Book and the Burton Cartulary* (English Historical Review, January) ; Rev. A. Snow, *The Lollards* (Dublin Review, January) ; M. Oppenheim, *The Navy of the Commonwealth, 1649-1660* (English Historical Review, January) ; *The Diarists of the Restoration* (Quarterly Review, January) ; W. Bliss, *The Duke of Marlborough's Letters at the Hague* (English Historical Review, January) ; A. T. Mahan, *Nelson at Cape St. Vincent* (The Century, February) ; *The Reign of the Queen* (Edinburgh Review, January).

#### FRANCE.

The life, character, and works of Victor Duruy were treated by M. Jules Lemaître in his *discours de réception* at the Académie Française on January 16.

Upon the occasion of the fourteen-hundredth anniversary of the baptism of Clovis, the most eminent Catholic historical writers of France have united in the publication of a volume entitled *La France Chrétienne dans l'Histoire* (Paris, Firmin-Didot, 1896, 700 pp.) a work of high value as presenting, from the point of view of the best Catholic scholarship, the history of Christianity in France and the part played by the Church in French history. The book is reviewed in the *Revue Historique* for March (pp. 385-390) and in the *Revue des Questions Historiques* for January (pp. 201-218).

*Le Moyen Age* began recently the publication of a systematic bibliography of the works appearing each year in the field of French mediæval history, prepared by A. Vidier, a student at the École des Chartes. The list for 1894, comprising 3347 titles, has now been completed and issued in separate form under the name of *Répertoire Méthodique du Moyen Age Français; Histoire, Littérature, Beaux-Arts* (Paris, E. Bouillon, 118 pp.).

The new edition of the *Lectures Historiques* of M. Charles V. Langlois, covering the period between 395 and 1270, is designed for the *classe de troisième* in French lycées, but it will be useful to a much wider circle of students because of the admirable bibliographies prefixed to each chapter.

M. Ch. Bémont has brought out a supplement to the volume of *Rôles Gascons* published by M. Francisque Michel in 1885. The supplementary

volume (*Collection des Documents Inédits*, 1896) contains additional rolls, *temp. Hen. III*, indexes, and an introduction presenting a detailed study of these rolls.

M. H. de la Ferrière's edition of the letters of Catherine de' Medici is advanced by the publication of the fifth volume (1574-1577); M. de Boislisle's *Saint-Simon* by the addition of Vol. XI. (1703).

The eighth volume of the *Correspondance de Mazarin*, edited by the Vicomte G. d'Avenel, covers the very important period from July 1, 1657, to August 15, 1658.

Prince Lobanoff is about to publish a work, the fruit of long-continued researches, entitled *La Dictionnaire des Émigrés*, in which documentary evidence will be furnished respecting nearly thirteen thousand families who fled at the time of the Revolution, and respecting their subsequent fortunes.

Commandant Rousset completes his *Histoire Générale de la Guerre Franco-allemande* with Vols. V. and VI., the one relating to the campaign of the North, the other to that of the East.

Mr. Charles Chesnelong, who in 1873 conducted at Salzburg the negotiations of the monarchical party of the Assembly with the Count de Chambord, has published a highly interesting and important account of the episode in his *La Campagne monarchique d'Octobre 1873* (Paris, Plon, 1895, 555 pp.).

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs brings nearly to date its *Recueil des Traité de la France*. Vol. XIX., edited by J. de Clercq, covers the years 1891-1893 (Paris, Pedone).

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: Imbart de la Tour, *Les Paroisses rurales dans l'ancienne France, du IV<sup>e</sup> au XI<sup>e</sup> Siècle* (*Revue Historique*, March) ; C. V. Langlois, *Notices et Documents relatifs à l'Histoire de France au Temps de Philippe le Bel* (*ibid.*) ; P. Viollet, *Comment les Femmes ont été exclues, en France, de la Succession à la Couronne* (*Mémoires de l'Académie des Sciences Morales et Politiques*, XXXIV.) ; Abbé A. Breuils, *Jean I., Comte d'Armagnac* (*Revue des Questions Historiques*, January) ; G. Salles, *Les Origines des premiers Consulats de la Nation française* (*Revue d'Histoire Diplomatique*, IX. 4) ; B. W. Wells, *The French Renaissance* (*Sewanee Review*, February) ; P. de Maulde, *Jean-Jacques Trivulce* (*Revue Historique*, March) ; G. Hanotaux, *Le premier Ministère de Richelieu* (*Revue des Deux-Mondes*, January 1, February 1) ; *The Princes of the House of Condé* (*Edinburgh Review*, January) ; H. M. Baird, *The Issue of Lettres de Cachet in Blank* (*Nation*, December 19) ; C. Morisot-Thibault, *Du premier Essai de la Division des Pouvoirs en France* (*Revue du Droit Public*, January) ; W. M. Sloane, *The Life of Napoleon Bonaparte* (*The Century*, — March) ; Ém. Ollivier, *Le Prince Louis Napoléon* (*Revue des Deux-Mondes*, December 15, January 15) ; *Marshal Canrobert* (*Edinburgh Review*, January).

**ITALY, SPAIN, PORTUGAL.**

A new historical review, devoted especially to the period of Italian history extending from 1789 to 1870, has been started at Turin, under the title *Rivista Storica del Risorgimento Italiano*. The editor is Benjamin Manzone, and the publishers Messrs. Roux, Frassati and Co. The general plan is closely similar to that of this review, and the table of contents of the first number is inviting.

The January number of the *Revue des Questions Historiques* contains a careful account of Italian publications issued during 1894 and 1895, and having reference to ancient history and the history of literature, prepared by L. G. Péliſſier. Those relating to mediæval and modern history will be dealt with in the next number.

Beginning with its December number, the *Revista Crítica de Historia y Literatura Españolas* takes on the enlarged title of *Revista Crítica de Historia y Literatura Españolas, Portuguesas e Hispano-Americanas*. The plan is unchanged.

The March number of the *Revue Historique* contains a summary review of the Spanish historical publications of 1894, by Señor Rafael Altamira.

Vol. CXII. of the *Colección de Documentos inéditos para la Historia de España* (Madrid, 1895, 513 pp.) relates to the Hermandad of Cordova with Jaen, Baeza, Ubeda, Andújar, Arjona, etc., in the time of the infante Don Sancho. The editor is the Marquis de la Fuensanta del Valle.

The Verein für Reformationsgeschichte has engaged Dr. W. F. Tilton to write for it a small volume on the history of the Spanish Armada.

Preparations are making at Lisbon for an extensive celebration in 1897 of the fourth centenary of the departure from that city, on July 8, 1497, of the famous expedition to India commanded by Vasco da Gama. The celebration will include exhibitions, congresses, and the publication of literary and scientific works. The project, originated by the Geographical Society of Lisbon, will be elaborated by a commission presided over by the King of Portugal.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: J. B. Bury, *Italy under the Lombards* (Scottish Review, January); R. da Costa, *Historias da Relações diplomáticas de Portugal no Oriente* (Boletim da Sociedade de Geographia de Lisboa, XIII. 12); Comte J. du Hamel de Breuil, *Carvalho, marquis de Pombal* (Revue Historique, January, March).

**GERMANY, AUSTRIA, SWITZERLAND.**

An historical commission for the kingdom of Saxony, on the model of those of Bavaria and Baden, is about to be established with an annual grant of ten thousand marks. It is expected that the Commission of Baden will,

during 1896, publish, among other continuations of its various undertakings, the conclusion of Vol. III. of the *Codex Diplomaticus Salemitanus*, the fourth volume of the Political Correspondence of Karl Friedrich of Baden, and a volume of documents illustrating the commercial intercourse, during the Middle Ages, of the towns of upper Italy with those of the upper Rhine.

Vol. LXIII. of the *Publikationen aus den königl. preussischen Staatsarchiven* (Leipzig, Hirzel) is part two of the portion dealing with the history of Hanover and Brunswick from 1648 to 1714, and is edited by A. Köcher.

Highly important additions to the general knowledge of the history of Prussian and German affairs in the years 1860–1863 are made by the continuation of the memoirs of Th. von Bernhardy, *Die ersten Regierungsjahre König Wilhelms I.* (Leipzig, Hirzel.)

Von Poschinger's *Fürst Bismarck und die Parlamentarier* and *Fürst Bismarck, Neue Tischgespräche und Interviews* supply the materials for a collection in English of *Bismarck's Table-Talk*, edited with an introduction and notes by Charles Lowe (Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott Co., 387 pp.).

The latest addition to the Heeren and Ukert series, *Geschichte der europäischen Staaten*, is the fifth volume of Alfred Huber's history of Austria, extending from 1609 to 1648.

Dr. Reinhold Koser has succeeded Von Sybel as director of the Prussian Archives.

The Archdukes Albrecht and Wilhelm have caused the publication, in a series of six volumes recently completed, of the papers of their father, the Archduke Charles, the opponent of Napoleon (*Ausgewählte Schriften des Erzherzogs Karl von Oesterreich*). They have also caused the preparation of an extensive life of him, by H. von Zeissberg, of which we now have the first two volumes, covering the period from his birth in 1771 to the beginning of 1796.

The Swiss government has issued the fifth volume of its *Amtliche Sammlung der Acten aus der Zeit der helvetischen Republik*, ed. Joh. Strickler (Basel, Geering, 1548 pp.), progressing from October, 1799, to August 8, 1800.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: C. Thümmel, *Das Einlager der altdeutschen Rechtsgeschichte* (Zeitschrift für die Kulturgeschichte, III. 1); Naudé, *Beiträge zur Entstehungsgeschichte des siebenjährigen Krieges* (Forschungen zur brandenb. und preuss. Geschichte, VIII. 2); M. Lehmann, *Fichte's Reden an die deutsche Nation vor der preussischen Censur* (Preussische Jahrbücher, December); P. Bigelow, *The German Struggle for Liberty* (Harper's Magazine, —March); H. von Treitschke, *Das Gefecht von Eckernförde 1849* (Historische Zeitschrift, LXXVI. 2); G. Steinhausen, *Gustav Freytags Bedeutung für die Geschichtswissenschaft* (Zeitschrift für die Kulturgeschichte, III. 1).

**NETHERLANDS AND BELGIUM.**

The merchant-guilds of the Low Countries have been made the subject of a careful study by H. Vander Linden, *Les Gildes Marchandes dans les Pays-Bas au Moyen Âge* (Ghent, Engelcke, 136 pp.).

Noteworthy articles in periodicals : W. Preger, *Beiträge zur Geschichte der religiösen Bewegung in den Niederlanden im zweiten Hälfte der XIV. Jahrhundert* (Abh. hist. Cl. Bayer. Akad. Wiss., XXI. 1) ; P. Pouillet, *Les premières Années du Royaume des Pays-Bas* (Revue Générale de Belgique, 1895, 12) ; N. D. Doedes, "Vermakelijke" Nederlandsche Geschiedenis [Douglas Campbell et als.] (De Gids, December).

**NORTHERN AND EASTERN EUROPE.**

Dr. Bernhard Lundstedt, of the Royal Library at Stockholm, has begun the issue of an exceptionally excellent bibliography of Swedish periodical publications (*Sveriges Periodiska Litteratur : Bibliografi, enligt Publicistklubbens uppdrag utarbetat af Bernhard Lundstedt*). The first volume covers the period from 1645 to 1812, and lists 425 different publications of that period.

The Swedish government has published the third and fourth parts of Vol. III. of its great collection of treaties and negotiations with foreign powers, *Sveriges Traktater med främmande Magter*, covering the period from 1409 to 1520.

In the *Revue des Questions Historiques* for January M. E. Beauvois gives a summary review of the Danish historical publications of 1894.

The Hungarian nation will this year commemorate, by historical exhibitions and otherwise, the millennium of their occupation of Hungary.

A book of indispensable importance to students of Roumanian history is G. Bengesco's *Bibliographie Franco-roumaine du XIV<sup>e</sup> Siècle*, which is intended to include all French publications relating to Roumania and all French publications by Roumanians printed or published in France. Vol. I. has appeared.

**AMERICA.**

The second volume of the *Report of the Commissioner of Education for the Year 1892-1893*, just published, contains some two hundred pages of documents and other historical matter illustrative of American educational history.

It is understood that the trustees of the consolidated New York Library have declined the offer made to them respecting the purchase of the books relating to the history of the Pacific Coast, collected by Mr. Hubert Howe Bancroft of San Francisco.

The federal government has issued, in an abundantly illustrated volume of 411 pages, the *Report of the United States Commission to the Columbian Historical Exposition at Madrid, 1892-1893*. The Commissioner-General, Rear-Admiral Luce, gives a history of the participation of the United States in the exposition, which is followed by the report of the other commissioner, Dr. Daniel G. Brinton, upon the collections exhibited there. A catalogue and description of the objects sent from the United States is also given. The report of Mr. W. E. Curtis, assistant in charge of the historical section of the American exhibit, is chiefly devoted to an elaborate account of the collection of portraits of Columbus, gathered together by him, and of other memorials of the discoverer. Cuts representing most of these pictures, statues, and monuments are given. Four monographs follow: on the Hemenway collection, by Dr. J. Walter Fewkes; on ancient Mexican feather-work, by Mrs. Zelia Nuttall; on ancient Central and South American pottery, by Dr. Walter Hough; and on chipped stone implements, by H. C. Mercer.

In the series of Johns Hopkins University Studies in Historical and Political Science the latest issues (XIII. 11-12, XIV. 1, and XIV. 2) are the following: *Government and Religion of the Virginia Indians*, by Samuel R. Hendren; *Constitutional History of Hawaii*, by Henry E. Chambers; and *The City Government of Baltimore*, by Thaddeus P. Thomas.

The American Catholic Historical Society has arranged with the Rev. Ferdinand Kittell, of Pittsburgh, to go to Rome and copy for the Society in the library and archives of the Vatican such new matter as he may find pertaining to the history of the Catholic Church in America.

The Leland Stanford Junior University issues, as the second of its monographs in the field of history and economics, a paper of 162 pages on the *Official Relations between the United States and the Sioux Indians*, by Lucy E. Textor. A preliminary chapter gives an outline of the history of the policy of the United States government with regard to the Indians generally. Succeeding chapters treat of the history of its especial relations with the Sioux from 1803 to the present time. The narrative is a plain and sober one, well founded on public documents, and confining itself quite closely to the field of administrative relations. The monograph, though not brilliant, is careful and instructive.

General Charles Hamlin and his son, Mr. Charles E. Hamlin, are collecting data and making other preparations for an extended biography of the late Vice-President Hannibal Hamlin.

Mr. Appleton P. C. Griffin, who may be addressed at the Boston Athenæum, has issued in a limited edition a *Bibliography of the Historical Publications issued by the New England States*, reprinted from the third volume of the publications of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts. The bibliography is in reality confined in each case to the one extensive series of volumes of historical records issued by the state. It gives in great

fulness the list of the contents of each volume, and is therefore a most useful little manual for the student of New England history. It is apparently highly accurate. The introduction gives a brief history of each of these state publications, with some information respecting analogous publications of other states.

The twenty-sixth volume of the *New Hampshire State Papers*, edited by Mr. Albert S. Batchellor, is a third volume of Town Charters (Concord, The State, 792 pp.). It consists of transcripts of the charters of townships and minor grants of lands made by the provincial government of New Hampshire within the present boundaries of the state of Vermont from 1749 to 1764, with an appendix containing the petitions to King George III. in 1766 by the proprietors and settlers under the New Hampshire Grants, and lists of the subscribers. It also contains historical and bibliographical notes relative to the towns in Vermont, by Hon. Hiram A. Huse, librarian of that state. It thus furnishes a body of material of much importance to the history of two or three states. Vol. XXVII. is now in press and nearly done. It will consist of the charters, plans, and other town papers of those towns granted by the Masonian Proprietors, alphabetically arranged, from A to M inclusive. Vol. XXVIII. will conclude this subject, after which attention will be given to the general records and papers of the Masonian Proprietors and to the earliest provincial laws.

The New Hampshire Historical Society has recently received a set of 308 maps published by Hermann Moll, London, 1711. Since the enlargement of its rooms, the Society has inaugurated monthly meetings for the reading of historical papers. An improved classification and arrangement of the library has already begun.

Mr. Robert T. Swan, Commissioner of Public Records of the State of Massachusetts, has issued his eighth annual *Report on the Custody and Condition of the Public Records of Parishes, Towns, and Counties*. It is characterized by the same excellences which have marked its predecessors, and forms a record of zealous and useful work worthy to be an example and incentive to other states. A distinctive feature of the present issue is the attention which it pays to proprietors' records.

The Record Commissioners of Boston have issued their twenty-sixth report. It is a continuation of the eighteenth, and contains the proceedings of the town from 1778 to the end of the year 1783.

Mr. Sidney S. Rider, of Providence, has issued in an elaborate edition, limited to 100 copies, the *Laws and Acts of Her Majesties Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, made from the First Settlement in 1636 to 1705*, commonly called the laws of 1705. This digest, though prepared for printing in 1705, by order of the General Assembly, has never before been printed, the earliest printed digest being that of 1719. It is needless to point out the importance of such a collection to the early history of the colony. Mr. Rider has prefixed a historical introduction; then follow the

120 pages of the original manuscript, reproduced in photographic fac-simile, and then a copy of the whole in plain Roman type, with an index.

In the January number of the Publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society, Mr. Henry C. Dorr continues his valuable monograph on the Proprietors of Providence, and their controversies with the freeholders.

Mr. Edward Field, one of the Record Commissioners of Providence, has published, through Messrs. Preston and Rounds, a little volume of *Tax Lists of the Town of Providence during the Administration of Sir Edmund Andros and his Council, 1686 to 1689*, containing also a list of polls for 1688, and the tax laws enacted by Andros and his Council. The edition is limited.

The second volume of the *Public Records of the State of Connecticut*, edited by Dr. Charles J. Hoadly, State Librarian, comprises the record of eight sessions of the General Assembly, between May, 1778, and May, 1780, together with the records of the Council of Safety for the same period. The appendix contains the proceedings of the Hartford Convention, of October, 1779, intended to regulate currency and prices, and those of the similar convention at Philadelphia in January, 1780. The former has been obtained from the archives of Rhode Island, the latter from those of Massachusetts. It is expected that the appendix to Vol. III. will contain the journals of the similar conventions held at Boston, Hartford, and Providence in 1780 and 1781.

At the annual meeting of the New York Historical Society, January 7, Mr. John A. King was elected president, Messrs. J. Pierpont Morgan and John S. Kennedy, vice-presidents, and Mr. William Kelby, librarian. The report of the treasurer showed a total of \$ 86,000 to the credit of the Society. The librarian's report showed an increase during the year of 3675 volumes of books, nearly 3000 pamphlets, 166 bound volumes of newspapers, and a considerable number of manuscripts, maps, etc.

The New York Society of the Colonial Dames of America has obtained permission from the authorities at Albany to collect, catalogue, and publish a certain body of the old wills preserved in the offices of the Court of Appeals.

The second number of the *Bulletin* of the Yonkers Historical and Library Association is devoted to the Philipse Manor Hall, and to a series of addresses made in support of movements for its more perfect preservation.

It is proposed to effect a gradual restoration of the historic buildings in "State House Row," Philadelphia. The Senate Chamber in Congress Hall is now being restored, under the auspices of the Society of Colonial Dames in Pennsylvania, as nearly as possible to its condition during the time of its occupancy by the United States Senate. The Daughters of the American Revolution are meantime to restore certain portions of Independence Hall to their original condition.

An interesting letter of William Penn to the first Duke of Ormonde, dated Philadelphia, January 9, 1683/4, is printed in the *Academy* for January 11.

Mr. Aksel G. S. Josephson, of the John Crerar Library, Chicago, is preparing an extensive bibliography of New Sweden, which will be printed in parts in *Samlaren*, the organ of the Swedish Literary Society in Upsala, and later in an English edition by the American Historical Association. The material relating to books printed previously to 1701 is now nearly completed, and that for the ensuing century is well in hand. The bibliography is expected to extend to the present time, and to include not only titles relating to the old Swedish colony proper, but also such as refer to the descendants of the Swedes on the Delaware and the local history of that region, in so far as it relates to the Swedish population.

Professor William P. Trent, of the University of the South, has reprinted from the Vanderbilt *Observer*, in a small pamphlet, an interesting and suggestive address on the study of Southern history, delivered recently before the Vanderbilt Southern History Society.

The Maryland Historical Society has just issued in its series of the *Archives of Maryland*, published by state authority, the third volume of the Correspondence of Governor Horatio Sharpe.

The January number of the *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* contains a report of Lord Culpepper respecting Virginia in 1683, the Defence of Colonel Edward Hill (undated), a continuation of the letters of William Fitzhugh, and of Mr. Stanard's abstracts of Virginia land-patents. Among the minor matters, one of the most interesting is an account of a burning for petty treason.

The *William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine* contains, in its January number, many documents and other matter interesting to the student of Virginian history. The non-Virginian reader will perhaps regard as most interesting the letters which Mr. Tyler has extracted from several county record books, his continuation of the reprint of the Journals of the meetings of the President and Masters of William and Mary College, and his exposure of the ancient myth respecting the tombstone of William Herris, often reputed to bear the date 1608, and to be the oldest tombstone in English America. Its date is 1698.

The North Carolina Society of the Sons of the Revolution is considering the publication of a new edition of J. S. Jones's *Revolutionary Defence of North Carolina*.

The General Assembly of Tennessee has made a grant to the Peabody Normal College for the establishment and maintenance of a chair of American History. One of the objects stated is historical publication. Upon this basis a magazine has been inaugurated in which, with the co-operation of the Tennessee Historical Society, the new professor, Dr. W.

R. Garrett, intends to publish original matter relating to the history of Tennessee and to other portions of American history. He has unfortunately chosen to give to this laudable local enterprise the pretentious and misleading title of *The American Historical Magazine*. If published as distinctively a magazine of Tennessee history, it would command general respect ; for while in the first number (January, 1896) whatever relates to matters outside the borders of that state is of little or no value, the issue contains much interesting and valuable material relating to the early history of Tennessee. Such are, two accounts of the battle of King's Mountain, the one by an eye-witness, the other by an early inquirer ; the Rev. Samuel Houston's proposed constitution for the state of Frankland, 1785, now for the first time reprinted in full from a perfect copy discovered in 1879 ; and an interesting body of selections from the correspondence of General James Robertson, extending from 1784 to 1790.

The printed report of the trustees of the Illinois State Historical Library, an institution founded by the state in 1889, shows a development gratifying indeed, but small in proportion to what should be done by so great and rich a state. The principal accession of unprinted material noted in the present report is that of a body of original muster-rolls and other records of the Black Hawk War.

The Chicago Historical Society will soon open to the public its new building at 140 Dearborn Avenue. The new house is a handsome romanesque building of granite, and will contain the Society's library of 65,000 volumes, a reading-room, and a room of historic relics and works of art. The property of the Society is reported as \$64,000.

The Wisconsin Historical Society's annual report for 1895 has just been issued. Beside the usual full details of the Society's work, three important historical papers are printed : Radisson's Journal : its Value in History, by Henry C. Campbell ; A Study of Antislavery Agitation in Wisconsin, with especial reference to the Booth case, by Vroman Mason ; and a monograph on Early Bank Legislation in Wisconsin, by William W. Wight. Twenty years ago the library of an Amsterdam clergyman, R. J. van der Meulin, fell to the Society. It is rich in works relative to Dutch colonies in South America, and the Venezuela Commission have a translator and draughtsman working for them in the library at Madison.

Fifteen historical students at Milwaukee organized in December the Parkman Club, the objects of which are the study of Northwestern history, and the publication of the papers read at the meetings of the club. The latter will be issued in ten monthly pamphlets in each year, paged for an annual volume. The first issue is a paper on Nicholas Perrot, by Mr. Gardner P. Stickney, and is a readable account of the life of that explorer and adventurer. The absence of accents in all the French names or words printed in the pamphlet seems extraordinary. The second paper is one by Mr. Henry C. Campbell, on the Exploration of Lake Superior.

Mr. J. N. Davidson, of Milwaukee, has published a volume of studies in the history of the region between Lake Michigan and the Mississippi, under the title *In Unnamed Wisconsin* (Milwaukee, H. E. Haferkorn, 307 pp.).

Dr. B. F. Shambaugh, instructor in the State University of Iowa, has begun the publication, through the State Historical Society at Iowa City, of a series of pamphlets entitled *Documentary Material relating to the History of Iowa*. It were much to be wished that some such collection were accessible to students of the history of each one of the Western states. The three numbers thus far published contain the fundamental documents respecting the acquisition and organization of Louisiana and those acts of Congress and of territorial legislatures which, relating to the territories of Louisiana, Missouri, Indiana, and Michigan, lie at the basis of the constitutional history of Iowa. Care has been expended upon the editing, which has been done with good judgment and completeness; but there are not a few typographical errors.

The January number of the *Annals of Iowa* is chiefly marked by three biographical articles, relating respectively to the Hon. Josiah B. Grinnell, General John M. Corse and the now famous Sergeant Charles Floyd.

The annual meeting of the Minnesota Historical Society on January 13 was made notable by a series of papers relating chiefly to the history of Minnesota as a territory, and written by persons all of whom were pioneers in the early settlement of the territory and state.

The ninth biennial report of the Board of Directors of the Kansas State Historical Society covers the years 1893 and 1894 and in part the year 1895. The Library is reported as having grown to nearly 16,000 bound volumes of books, 50,000 unbound volumes and pamphlets, and 16,000 bound volumes of newspapers and periodicals. Of the newspapers and periodicals, a catalogue extending to sixty pages is appended. The collection of Kansas newspapers is an extraordinary one already, numbering nearly 11,000 volumes, while nearly 800 are currently received at present, the gift of the various publishers. The legislature of 1895 provided a permanent home for the Society and its library in the State Capitol. Of manuscript gifts to the Society the most important was that received from Mr. Orville C. Brown of Adams, N.Y., the chief founder of Osawatomie. Next in importance are the voluminous records and papers bestowed by the Kansas Baptists, whose state convention has in this laudable action followed the example of the two Methodist conferences. The Society has recently celebrated its twentieth anniversary.

The Nebraska State Historical Society is upon the point of issuing a new volume of its *Proceedings* (Series II., Vol. I.). The town records of the village of Fontenelle, one of the earliest settlements in the state, will appear in Vol. II.

Dr. Douglas Brymner's *Report on Canadian Archives* for 1895, just issued, presents calendars of papers relating to Prince Edward Island from

1763 to 1801, New Brunswick from 1784 to 1801, Cape Breton from 1764 to 1801, and Hudson's Bay from 1673 to 1759. It also includes papers relating to Sable Island, and the French (now first printed) and English of Radisson's relation of his journeys of 1682-1683 and 1684.

The series entitled "The Story of the Nations" will be enlarged by a book on *The Story of Canada*, by Dr. John G. Bourinot, which will present the history of Canada from the discovery by Cartier to the establishment of the Confederation.

The Nova Scotia Historical Society has published, as Vol. VIII. of its Collections, a revised and augmented edition of the *History of Halifax City*, by the late Dr. Thomas D. Akins. The ninth volume (Halifax, Nova Scotia Printing Co., 207 pp.) contains a list of papers read before the Society since its foundation, a general index to the papers printed in the volumes of Collections, a paper by the Rev. M. Harvey of Newfoundland on the voyages and discoveries of the Cabots, an account of Attorney-General R. J. Uniacke, by Hon. L. G. Power, and a historical sketch of Louisbourg by J. K. Edwards.

Messrs. G. P. Putnam's Sons will soon publish an historical book on *The West Indies and the Spanish Main*, by Mr. James Rodway of British Guiana.

The Chilean government has brought out (Santiago de Chile, 1895, 485 pp.) the seventh volume of its *Colección de Documentos inéditos para la Historia de Chile*. Like its predecessor, it relates to Almagro and his companions.

The November number of the *Boletín* of the Real Academia de la Historia is chiefly occupied with an article by A. M. Fabié on the life and writings of Father Luis de Valdivia, the Jesuit whose labors were so valuable to the early development of Chile.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals (Period before 1607) : I. Vidart, *Don Fernando el Católico y el Descubrimiento de America* (*Boletín de la Real Academia de la Historia*, September) ; F. W. Blackmar, *The Conquest of New Spain* (*Agora*, January) ; E. F. Ware, *Coronado's March* (*Agora*, January) ; B. Moses, *The Early Political Organization of Mexico*, II. (*Yale Review*, February) ;

(Colonial) : J. A. Davis, *Beginning of the American Presbyterian Church* (*Presbyterian and Reformed Review*, January) ; P. Barré, *La Formation territoriale et les Litiges des Frontières des États américaines* (*Revue de Géographie*, November) ; M. L. Fay, *Sir Edmund Andros* (*New England Magazine*, March) ; Woodrow Wilson, *In Washington's Day* (*Harper's Monthly Magazine*, January) ; id., *Colonel Washington* (*ibid.*, March) ; H. B. Adams, *Lord Amherst* (*New England Magazine*, February) ; René de Kerallain, *La Perte du Canada* (*Revue Historique*, January) ; W. H. Bailey, *The Regulators of North Carolina* (*American Historical Register*, —January) ;

(Revolutionary,—1789) : W. C. Ford, *Defences of Philadelphia in 1777* (Pennsylvania Magazine of History, January) ; C. W. Mixter, *Protest against the Evils of the Depreciated Continental Currency, 1781* (Quarterly Journal of Economics, January) ; George C. Mason, *Congress Hall, Philadelphia* (American Historical Register, March) ; W. S. Baker, *Washington after the Revolution, 1784-1799* (Pennsylvania Magazine of History, January) ;

(Period from 1789 to 1861) : P. L. Ford, *Jefferson's Drafts of the Kentucky Resolutions of 1798* (Nation, February 20) ; L. R. Harley, *Fries's Rebellion* (American Historical Register, March) ; P. Bouldin, *John Randolph of Roanoke* (The Century, March) ; *Letters of Elbridge Gerry* (New England Historical and Genealogical Register, January) ; *Journal of Surgeon A. A. Evans on Board the "Constitution," 1812* (Pennsylvania Magazine of History, January) ; *Lafayette's Visit to the United States in 1824-1825* (American Historical Register, —March) ; J. B. Moore, *The Monroe Doctrine* (Political Science Quarterly, March) ;

(Period since 1861) : E. B. Andrews, *A History of the Last Quarter-Century in the United States* (Scribner's Magazine, —March) ; F. Bancroft, *The French in Mexico* (Political Science Quarterly, March) ; L. M. Keasbey, *The Nicaragua Canal and the Monroe Doctrine* (Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, January).